

**STATEMENT OF STATUS/SUPPORT FOR ALL CHANGES
TO THE CLAIMS PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.173(C)**

The status of the claims is that original claims 1-37 of U.S. Patent No. 5,840,249 have not been amended, and added claims 38-59 are pending. Examples of support for the added claims follow.

Claim	Support in Patent
38	E.g., col. 3, lines 35-38, 61-64; col. 4, lines 62-67; col. 5, line 60-col. 6, line 5.
39	See, e.g., claim 38's support; col. 6, lines 5-6.
40	See, e.g., claim 38's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.
41	See, e.g., claim 38's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.
42	See, e.g., claim 38's and 41's support; col. 5, line 11.
43	See, e.g., claim 38's support; col. 5, line 40.
44	See, e.g., claim 38's support; col. 6, lines 5-6.
45	E.g., col. 3, lines 35-38, 61-64; col. 5, line 60-col. 6, line 5.
46	See, e.g., claim 45's support; col. 4, lines 61-67.
47	See, e.g., claim 46's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.
48	See, e.g., claim 46's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.
49	See, e.g., claim 46's support; col. 5, line 11.
50	See, e.g., claim 45's support; col. 6, lines 5-6.
51	See, e.g., claim 45's support; col. 6, lines 4-5.
52	See, e.g., claim 45's support; col. 5, line 40.
53	E.g., col. 5, line 60-col. 6, line 3; col. 4, lines 61-67; col. 3, lines 35-38.
54	See, e.g., claim 53's support; col. 6, lines 4-5.
55	See, e.g., claim 53's support; col. 6, lines 5-6.
56	See, e.g., claim 53's support; col. 6, lines 5-6.
56	See, e.g., claim 53's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.

Claim	Support in Patent
58	See, e.g., claim 53's support; col. 4, lines 64-67.
59	See, e.g., claim 58's support; col. 5, lines 11.

It is to be understood that the foregoing statement of support for changes to the claims is to be understood as examples of support and not an exclusive identification of all support to be found in the disclosure of the patent. For instance, the original claims 1-37 also provide support for the newly added claims 38-59.

Respectfully submitted,

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